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Applicant : ELSA AFRA JULIA MARIA GOULMY
U.S. Serial No. : 09/269,250 ✓
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PETITION FOR A THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant hereby requests a three month extension in response to the Office Action dated June 26, 2002, in which the Examiner finally rejected claims 1-17, and 20, all of the pending claims in the application. Applicant requests the extension in order to file a continuing prosecution application.

Applicant previously filed a one month petition for an extension of time on October 28, 2002 and paid the small entity fee of \$55.00 therefor. Applicant hereby encloses a check for \$405.00, representing the difference between the cost of a three month extension and the one month extension already paid.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fee required in connection with the filing of this application to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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